

# The next day: Hannah: The Plus-One

The day after a tumultuous event, Hannah reflects on her journey back to the mainland alongside Charlie, her partner. As most guests have departed earlier and the family remains on the island, the contrast between the serene sunlight dancing on the water and the ominous shadow enveloping the island captures Hannah's attention. The island, under the looming cloud, presents itself as a dark, awaiting predator, a stark contrast to the natural beauty surrounding it. This imagery exacerbates the turmoil within Hannah, highlighting her inability to escape the haunting memories of the island's recent events.

Hannah's physical discomfort from the boat's motion pales in comparison to the emotional torment she endures. The revelation that Will played a crucial role in her sister's demise has left her soul deeply disturbed. This pain is further intensified by the recollection of her previous ferry journey to the island with Charlie. Then, they shared laughter and companionship, a stark contrast to their current estrangement, characterized by silence and avoidance. The distance between them is not merely physical but emotional, as both are engulfed in their personal maelstroms of memories and regrets.

In their shared silence, Hannah reminisces about their last conversation before the calamity unfolded, underlining the profound impact of the incident on both their relationship and her individual psyche. Engulfed in exhaustion, both physical and emotional, Hannah finds herself unable to muster the strength to communicate her feelings or even fully process the events that have transpired. This shared journey on the boat mirrors their individual and collective journeys through grief, guilt, and the search for closure, setting a somber tone for their return to the mainland and the unresolved issues that await.